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the present generation with the Bible, and sentiment would turn in the direction of reads: admitting its being read and studied in the public schools, not as a theological text-book, but as a model of the Euglish lan-1890, entitled "An Act granting penguage. It pronounces it a "masterpiece of literature.

It is certainly lamentable that the study of the Bible has fallen into its present de cay. The worst infidel cannot dispute that the earnest attention to the Scriptures given by our race for centuries helped amazingly to build up not merely n strong, virile language, which has be come the world's greatest and richest tongue, but an exceedingly robust and assertive morality. The Nations which studied the Bible most intensely and persist ently have been the Dutch, Germans Scandinavians, British and Americans. The undeniable result of this was to develop a strong, unequivocal moral sense, vastly higher than that of the peoples who did not study the Bible so strenuously. and model their characters upon its teachings. The German, Dutchman, Scandinavian, Briton or American is naturally and inherently a more honest man than, one of Latin blood, and this cannot fail to be attributed to the effect of the Bible in coloring his character. The English, Scotch and Americans studied the Bible der the more earnestly than the other nations. It became the very foundation stone of their intellectual edifice, and foreigners remarked with surprise that the Englishspeaking agnostics, like Huxley, Tyndail, etc., used the language of the Bible in attacking it. They did this because it was the very fountain-head of the strongest, purest and most forceful expression. The orators and writers who have been molded by the study of the Bible have been the very greatest the world has ever seen, just as the men who have formed their morals upon the true Biblical precepts have given the ethics of the world an unprecedented elevation. The fruits of Scriptural study are an overwhelming reply to all the sneers against the Bible.

It is infinitely lamentable that so much of this great force for good has been lost to the world. There is no text-book of morals before the rising generation which can begin to take the place that the Bible had in the minds of their fathers and grandfathers. There is no text-book of literature that will so equip them for the battle of life as the Bible did their forcfathers.

It was a great mistake to climinate the Bible from the public schools. Most wellmeaning people were drawn to consenting men and good soldiers who had been conto this in the hopes of bringing in the children of Roman Catholics, but it failed first opportunity to escape, and get where at once in securing this, for the prelates generally replied by making their ban against the public schools stronger than ever. They said that "godless" was even

The Jews, with more confidence in the strength of their religious teachings, had States, who usually enlisted in the first never hesitated to send their children to the public schools.

They had sufficient largeness of percention to understand the immense advantages of public schools for their children. and that though the New Testament might contain something repugnant to them, it taught the most elevated morality known, and that they could themselves apply the antidote to any teachings of which they disapproved.

The expulsion of the Bible from the schools, however, was only a small part of the decline in the influence of the Book. Incomparably worse was the influence of that class of shallow opinionates who made their attack under the guise of "higher criticism." The main object of this was to show off their learning and acumen rather than to arrive at great truths. They placed much more stress upon the gram matic construction of a phrase, and the lack of correspondence between Biblical generalizations and ascertained historical and scientific facts than they did upon the great and absolute truths which the Book teaches as no other does or can.

"Higher criticism" is now seen to be mere temporary scholastic fad, and has grown quite tiresome. Its influence is diminishing even more rapidly than it grew. The best thinkers are turning again to the Bible as an incomparable text-book of Wisdom, which, more than any other known, will richly repay all the study and thought that can be given it.

The recommendation of the National Educational Association is entirely too faint and academic. The Bible should be restored to its place in our educational system, not merely as "a masterpiece of literature" to be studied on the same plane with Shakspere and Milton, but as an authoritative source of moral teachings. The plea that it is a "theological textbook" is and always was irritatingly false and feeble. It no more teaches Protest antism than it teaches Methodism, or

Comrade A. E. Magoffin, of Lyons, the 89th Ohio, and is a druggist.

CONSTRUING THE ACT OF JUNE 27, 1890.

It has been claimed for Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, the credit of securing the passage of the only law enacted dependence to animals has been agitating by the recent session of Congress for the benefit of Union veterans. It is true that and his decision will be everywhere ap the Joint Resolution construing the Act proved, that a dog has an inalienable ator Pritchard, but Representative H. R. maiming and generally tearing any boy Gibson, of Tennessee, who has a larger number of constituents affected by such resolutions lamenting the unfamiliarity of persistent work, it would not have be- of mind, with a presumed intention of expressing a wish and hope that public As finally passed the Joint Resolution in the eyes of his associates whose good

JOINT RESOLUTION.

sions to soldiers and sailors who are incapacitated for the performance of manual labor, and providing for pensions to widows, minor children, and dependent parents."

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That the Act approved June 27, 1890, entitled "An Act granting pensions to soldiers and sailors who are incapacitated for the performance of manual labor, and providing for pensions to widows minor children but a disturbance to the control of the performance of manual labor, and providing the performance of manual labor, and providing the performance of manual labor, and providing the performance of the performance of manual labor, and providing the performance of manual labor, and performa for pensions to widows, minor children, and dependent parents," is construed and held to include all persons and the widows and minor children of all deceased persons who served for 90 days in the military or naval service of the United States during the late war of the rebellion, and who have been honorably discharged therefrom, and section 4716, Revised Stat-United States, is amended accord-Provided, however, That the foreingly: going shall not apply to those who served in the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth regiments United States Volunteer Infantry who had a prior service in the Confederate army or navy and who calisted in said regiments while confined as prisoners of war under a stipulation joy it, no matter how much amusement they were not to be pensionable un-the laws of the United States, nor to those who, having had such prior service, enlisted in the military or naval service of the United States after the 1st day of

the pension laws any enlisted man of the Army, including regulars, volunteers and militia, or any appointed or enlisted man of the Navy or Marine Corps, who was bonorably discharged from the last contract of service entered into by him during the late war of the rebellion, shall be held and considered to have been honorably discharged from all similar contracts of vervice previously entered into by him with the United States during said war: Provided, That such enlisted or appointed man served not less than six mouths under said last enlistment or appointment. militia, or any appointed or calisted man der said last collistment or appointment, spect to the billy goat, and must, there-that his entire service under said last en-listment or appointment was faithful, and tecting arm of the law around the goat as last enlistment or appointment any bountlast enlistment or appointment any bountly or gratuity other than from the United States in excess of that to which he would have been entitled if he had continued to serve faithfully until honorably discharged mider any contract of service previously entered into he him of them. viously entered into by him, either in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps, during the

There can be no question as to the justness of this act. Nearly every regiment in the Western armies, and a great many of those in the Eastern, contained loyal scripted into the rebel army, but took the they could fight for the Union. The loyal regiments of West Virginians, North Carelinians, Georgians, Floridians, Alabamians, Tennesseeans, Louisianians, Missourians, Texans and Arkansans contained only a portion of the loyal sons of those a rule it cost these men much more to be-come Union soldiers than it did boys in the North, for they had to brave everything of value to men, with the additional terror of being summarily executed if cap-

ers of the Act of June 27, 1890, to exclude these men from the benefit of its provisions. The question was raised in the Senate, at the time of the passage of the act, and Senator Davis, who had charge of the bill, stated that in his opinion the restrictions of Sec. 4716 "were utterly inapplicable to it."

The Act of June 27, 1890, was executed for four years upon the theory that previous service in the rebel army did not disqualify claimants under it, as it did not disqualify them under the other pension laws.

Sept. 6, 1894, the Interior Department suddenly changed front on this question, and Secretary Hoke Smith, who had little love for his old companions who "went over to the Yankees," instructed the Commissioner of Pensions to deny the claims and drop from the rolls all those who had in any way served the Confederacy, and assign as a reason therefor Sec. 4716, Revised Statutes, which reads as follows:

"No money on account of pension shall be paid to any person, or to the widow, children or heirs of any deceased person. who in any manner voluntarily engaged in or aided or abetted the late rebellion against the authority of the United States.

This section had been long before inapplicable to the following classes:

The widows of those who First. Served in the Revolutionary (See act of March 9, 1878.)

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Second. Those who served in the War of 1812 against Great Britain. (See act of March 9, 1878.)
Third. Those who served in the Mexican war. (See act of Jan. 29, 1887.)
Fourth. Those who served in the Indian wars. (See act of July 27, 1892.)
Fifth. Those who served in the Spanish war. (See act of April 18, 1900.)
Sixth. Those who received a possion.

THE main trouble with Cuba is Kan., has been in the city on a visit to they cannot sell what they raise for his brother. He was Sergeant-Major of chough for them to live as they would like

THE RIGHTS OF ANIMALS.

What seems to be almost a question of the application of the Declaration of In-Western Judges of high rank.

A Missouri Judge has solemnly decided of June 27, 1890, was introduced by Sen-right, and is fully justified in biting, man or other person who attempts to tie a tin can, or similar unnecessary noisy construction than any other member of turbing and frightening article to his tail. inappropriate and other disconcerting, dis-Congress, took charge of the resolution in This seems simple justice. There is no the House, made several important justification or excuse for attaching any-amendments, including the whole of the thing to a dog's tail. That appendage is second section, engineered it through the complete in itself, and simple and una-Committee on Invalid Pensions, and the dorned, serves all the purposes for which a House followed it up in the closing min- tail is given a dog. Any addition, there-At its recent session in Minneapolis the National Educational Association passed resolutions lamenting the unfamiliarity of persistent work, it would not have become a law, at least at the recent session, making him appear excited and ridiculous opinion he values, and to lower his standing in the community, not to say may thing about exposing him to personal contumely and danger. Therefore he is justified in resisting in any way that he can make effective. On this point all the the next, a girl of eight, while a boy of Judges entirely agreed.

The other case was not so clear, and has brought the lower and higher courts

where a lady has kept a billy goat which carry their breakfast. Of course this was great fun for the spectators-possibly for ome of the younger victims of the goat's propensities. Well-dressed ladies on their way to church, however, and dignified gentlemen engaged in the practice of law or medicine or preaching the Gospel, or manit gave to others, nor the liveliness it introduced into an otherwise dull neighbor

Therefore, a young man, whose sweet January, 1865.

and well-dressed sister had been butted off the sidewalk, caught the goat and in a fit of anger cut his throat. The neighborhood was much displeased at this rash spect to the billy goat, and must, therewell as any other dumb brute. He admit-

> Finally the Justice declared that a goat ould not be said to have a bad reputation when all of the acts complained of were the result of following a natural and in herent propensity, and one might as well claim the right to kill a dog for barking, a cat for mewing or a horse for neighing as to try to defend the killing of a goat

Smith appealed the case to the court above, which proceeded to sit down on the Justice of the Peace, and acquit the defendant, who was held to have not applied more violence than the case called

As to the law of the case the learned Judge held that a goat is a goat and is given to butting by instinct, but even this propensity, natural and proper to be exercised in defense, becomes prejudicial to the rights of the citizen when carried to the extent shown in this case. Passing to the contention of counsel that a goat cannot establish a bad reputation by butting because it is its nature to butt, the cannot establish a bad reputation of an animal is made by its acts alone, and it may made by its acts alone, and it may feel to when the flower of the content o Mrs. Janes's billy to attack people on the

highway and in their yards and to keep children in a state of alarm, it was her duty to protect the public against such for a cow. assaults. And failing to do this, it was the right of the public to protect itself.

The bereaved neighborhood has appealed to the Supreme Court

## PERSONAL.

Joralemon, of Los Angeles, has entered starving. They may die before morning suit for breach of promise for \$50,000. Mr. for want of milk."

"Steal my cow, will you, you scamps?" she screamed, rushing over to Sandy, with the mop brandished for another blow. Captain in the 1st Ohio L. A., and is highly thought of by members of that regiment.

"Let her go, then, and, Kramer, dish up, for I'm hungrier'n a bear."

"What, the pretty little baby that you carried?" exclaimed Sandy, forgetful of bis own hunger in the appalling prospect, but the mop brandished for another blow. "Git up and skeet outen heah, afore I bis own hunger in the appalling prospect, but the mop brandished for another blow. "Git up and skeet outen heah, afore I bis own hunger in the appalling prospect, but the mop brandished for another blow. "Git up and skeet outen heah, afore I bis own hunger in the appalling prospect, but the mop brandished for another blow. "Git up and skeet outen heah, afore I bis own hunger in the appalling prospect."

Gen. Thomas J. Morgan died at his home in Yonkers, N. Y., July 14, at the age of 62. Death was due to kidney disease. He was born in Franklin, Ind., and enlisted in the beginning of the war. Later he was the first between the control of the town anywhere. You boys for the fire hain't reached the outsking of the war. Later he was born in Franklin, Ind., and enlisted in the beginning of the war. Later he was home beginning of the war. Later he was normal first Lieutenant of the 70th Ind. (President Harrison's regiment), and then was commissioned a Lieutenant-Colonel in the 14th U. S., in which regiment he rose to be Colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be Colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be Colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be Colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be Colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be Colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be Colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be Colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be Colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be Colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be colonel and the commander of the first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be comed to mpt hain't gone there for a min you can tent hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be first hain't gone. Skip out and see if you can't find a cow. We'll wait supper to be fir

and seeds. It no more teaches Protest can always a server of the Indian teaches Methodism, or Preslyterianism. No man or child in made the less of a Catholic, Episcopalian, Preslyterian, or whatever he may be being and eapper of the Bilds from the Preslyterian, or whatever he may be being and eapper of the Bilds from the United States and the Preslyterian, or whatever he may be being unde a better man and American eitizen.

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has never fully recovered, although able to rise to the front rank of his profession as lawyer in his State. Since the war he has been elected to various public positions. He has been a prominent comrade of the Grand Army of the Department of Maryland from the beginning.

and obstinate weeds, and piles of ugly need her, and we'd be laughed to death if we let a slip of a girl and two brats of brothers drive us off.

"And this is the home of the aristocracy of South Carolina," remarked Sandy, surveying the dreary surroundings, in the chill, gray twillight. "Why, poor, ornery, drunken Jackson's Corners up in Injianny we've simply got to. You slip around we'd be laughed to death if we let a slip of a girl and two brats of but what we come by honestly."

"Monty, Alf, Harry, Sandy and Pete or South Carolina," remarked Sandy, surveying the dreary surroundings, in the chill, gray twillight. "Why, poor, ornery, drunken Jackson's Corners up in Injianny "We've simply got to. You slip around"

Si Klegg, "Shorty"

and the Boys of Co. V.
on the March through the Carolinas

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The Night of the Burning of Columbia—Taking Care of Unexpected Guests—Setting Up a Homeless Family.

The children were crying with cold and hunger as they were gathered up. Shorty The children were crying with cold and hunger as they were gathered up. Shorty picked up the little tot he had rescued, who no longer seemed afraid of him, and wrapped her in an old counterpane. Shielded from the fierce blast, and seeing no longer the awful flames she quickly the baby from the mother's arms, gave the shawl with which she had wrapped it back to her to put around her own shoulders over her thin, worn dress. He unbuttened his overcost, laid the baby inside, and threw cape and coat over it. It became so warm in a few minutes that its wailings ceased. Wash Lambert took off his evercoat and put it on the oldest child, a girl of 10; Tom did the same with six seemed sofficiently warmed by being al-lowed to carry Pete's carbine, while that youth gloated over his silver-mounted fish-ing rod and reel.

Otterbein Kramer, who had anticipated their coming, had a great fire biazing and a savery supper cooking. The woman and her children were put in what remained of the wrecked cabin, which formed a shelter from the wind, and rechildren, but a disturbance to some other coived some heat from the great fire. The people, owing to a jolly little habit be had silver which Kramer's squad had brought of slipping up behind any pedestrian and suddenly delivering a blow of several hundred foot-pounds hitial pressure a little below and in rear of where folks usually carry their breakfast. Of course this was had been broken open. One of these was a rebel depot for taxes in kind, from which he gathered a supply of beef and pork turnips, yams, cabbages, rice, etc. He had a cast-iron washkettle brought from one of the yards set up on the banks of the river and a fire built under it. Under his directions the negresses cooked a great, steaming, fragrant mess for the negroes

The negroes, men, women and children, were waiting around the washkettle, each with a cup, dish, wash-basin, bowl, or whatever other vessel, old or new, he or wintever other vessel, on or new, he of she could pick up, in eager anticipation of dishing-out time. The rich, suffusing odors filled their hungry souls with licker-ish and overwhelming delight. Their widely-opened cycs, showing great circles of white around shining pupils of black, seemed as big as buckeyes. Their broad smiles of appetizing anticipation displayed rows of purest ivory, to gleam in the bright firelight. Entirely forgetten was the destruction of the city which had been the center of their universe. They recked not that the flames still devoured homes and buildings which had seemed as imposing and awe-inspiring to them as those of ferusalem to the Jews, or of Rome to the Romans. They were absolutely indiffer-ent to the fast that hundreds of families who had the day before towered above them as gods were now more miserable than themselves, for they had lost all that they held necessary to make life endura Smith had a right to protect his sister from assault, but the subsequent act was not justified, and it was that act that ended the gont's life.

Finally the Justice declared that a goat ing else-not even where they were to sleep, and where get their breakfast-was

the slightest consequence.
Otterbein Krainer appointed the "Unto maintain order among them and dish out the food when it was cooked, while he attended to the meal for the boys and their guests. 
With a troubled face Otterbein Kramer

"I know just what to cook for men,"

"Indeed you do. You're the best cook in the whole army." "Thank you very much. But it's very different with women and children. I never cooked anywhere but in the field. learned all I know there. I never I've learned all I know there. I never house in the settlement on the grade had anything to do with a family hotel as the Irish who work on the grade to have the property of the property of

We must get 'em some milk somewhere and somehow at all risks, or they'll starve. Why, a child can't live without milk. Say,

Why, a child can't live without milk. Say, send out some of those niggers to hunt for a cow."

"Great Jehosephat, you couldn't pull one of them away from that kettle with a yoke of steers," snorted Shorty.

"And if you got 'em away they couldn't see a cow, if she was bigger'n an elephant," added Wash Lambert. "They've got eyes and noses only for grub now. A hungry nigger's blinder'n a hundred-year-old mole."

"And in you got 'em away they couldn't see a scow, if she was bigger'n an elephant," added Wash Lambert. "They've got eyes and noses only for grub now. A hungry nigger's blinder'n a hundred-year-old mole."

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"And if you got 'em away they couldn't the river, right away."

"Apparently, this familiarity from a stranger was the thing of all others the cow resented. She unshackled her right hind like a swift piledriver, caught Pete."

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"I promised to take her conscientious Sandy, "and I ought to do it. I'd rather have a tooth pulled, though, than try it."

"I guess if she's turned loose she'll find her way back, all right," ventured Si.

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Ex-Senator Steven W. Dorsey, of Arkansas, was married July 7 to Miss Laura Bigelow, daughter of the late Hon. John Bigelow, of New York, a much younger woman than he. Mrs. Harriet Elizabeth woman than he. Mrs. Harriet Elizabeth

there, and take those stone-throwing imps in flank, while I manuver for a rush on that little trollop with the mop. I owe her several."

Their best strategy was called into play in this manuver, but after some little difficulty they circumvented the boys, girl and cow, drove brothers and sister into the house, and got the cow headed for the boat. They started out to drive her with the ensy confidence begot by long experience in similar duty at home. But they found that there was a decided difference between bringing their mothers' cows home along a well-known route, which they wanted to travel, and taking a South Carolina cow over a road they did not know, and she did not want to go. She knew every cut-off and by-way, and was determined to take it. In running to head her off, and keep her going training to head her off, and keep her going training to head her off, and keep her going training to head her off, and keep her going training to head her off, and keep her going training to head her off, and keep her going training to head her off, and keep her going training to head her off, and keep her going training to head her off, and keep her going training to head her off, and keep her going the grant of the Cradle of Secession, or restrained to the wormer of the horse which had been the wormer of the horse which here were there are the second to the wormer of the horse which here were the ward the wormer of the horse which here were the ward the wormer of the head her off, and keep her going the ward they started a long they studied. The fire had burned a long they studied. The gobine they studied. The good else than ornery."

"Let 'em be. They're as stinking worthless as jimsun weeds," adjudged Pete.
"But somewhere amongst 'em onght to be some hardworking woman who supports and delivered her over to Si, that they sunk down from sheer fatigue. "Hullo," said the woman, sitting with washing and keeping a cow."
"I think a washerwoman would starve

to death in a square mile of these kind of people," remarked Sandy, disgustedly. "There! There!" said Pete, excitedly: "I heard a cow moo over in that direcher babe in her lap, anxiously awaiting the beginning of the fragrant feast Kra-mer had prepared, "you've done got Sally Leathers's old cow. What're you gwine to

"I did, too." They hastened in the direction, and by a tortuous path through the debris and weeds, and past the stunted, gnawed little ones. We know how hungry they must be for it, and so the boys went out looking than the rest. It had a fence, to find a cow."



"HOLD ON THERE; DON'T HIT ME AGAIN," SAID SANDY. "I WASN'T GOING TO STEAL YOUR COW.

"Milk her? Milk Sal Leathers's cow!

'pound her offen, but she'd allers jump out, and fetches up at Sal Leathers's,"

"Let her go, then, and, Kramer, dish up, for I'm hungrier'n a bear," The food had already been given out to

nade of bits of store boxes, with the merchants' names still on in lines of flowing Milk that old teather-covered saw-buck?" lampblack. Inside this were the Winter laughed the woman, derisively, and her lamphinck. Inside this were the Winter remains of a fairly-kept garden. The roof of the house looked as if it would really turn water, there were green paper curtains to the windows, and there was an unusual evidence of housewifery in the board steps, which were clean, and the mop, used industriously upon them, stood beside the door. She is the feet was arrested to the woman, deristvely, and her older children joined in a chorus of Charity and Loyalty.

The National organization will meet annually, at which will be reception, constants the property of beside the door.

On a half of a barrel-head, nailed crosswise of the door-post, was scrawled with kin git some o' that coffee you're biling

fractional. That'll pay for her milk. We hankered after milk since can't stop to argue with you, Sis. You'll weaned."

on his belt-plate, and landed him in a pile of rusted-out tinware and brickbats in front of the house.

"What's that? Going to take my cow on other people's yards. They've tried to

f "Git up and skeet outen heah, afore I pound you down into the ground. Go off in an steal somebody else's cow that kin afford it. You can't have mine. It's our only one."

"Hold on there; don't hit me again," said Sandy. "I wasn't going to steal your cow—only borrow her for a little while. I'll bring her back. I swear I will."

Sandy was worse scared by the uplifted mop and the girl's vengeful eye than he had ever been since he entered the larmy.

"Hold on there; don't hit me again," out of the big fire, their feet to it, and their find, sleeping the peace of entire happiness and content.

Otterbein Kramer selected his choicest dentities to give the woman and her children, and when the other boys came upon anything that seemed particularly good they would stop and insist upon her and they sharing it. They seemed to enjoy it all, but were ravenous for the coffee. It was the first time in the mother's poor.

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"But somewhere amongst 'em ought to be
some hardworking woman who supports
her husband and big family by taking in poor belongings, and Si looked around to find some negroes to carry them to the boat. A wo-begone rebel soldier came up, with weak and halting steps, and stopping in front of the blasted home gazed on it with an expression of the deepest misery. "O, my poor wife and children," he groaned, with tears running down his cheeks, "what has become of them?" "Was this your house?" Si asked, sym pathetically.
"Yes, indeed," answered the man. left them here when I was conscripted, and I don't know how in God's name they have lived since then, for I had nothin' to send them, an' they waz among strangers.

I used to worry myself plum sick over them. I'd come up from Charleston to work in the paper mills jest afore the war broke out, and put them in that that house. The conscripters tuk me away from home awhile afore my baby was born, an' I hain't never seen her. I was wounded on the Salkehatchie, an' sent to the hospital jest outside o' Columby, I hain't rayly able to walk yit, but las' night I jest couldn't stand it, an' I started to come into town. But whar in God's name's my wife an' children?" "Your wife and children are all right,"
aid Si. "They are safe and well-fed, You look over those things there, and see what you want, and I'll have some of

those negroes bring them down to where your wife is." After the man had gathered up his be-

After the man had gathered up his belongings, and a couple of negroes had been started with them. Shorty put his hand under the man's arm, and they helped him back to the landing.

While the reunion was going on between hasband and family, Si and the rest looked around to see that there was an abundant supply of food on the boat. They all gathered up their own things and went ashore.

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"Now," said Si to the man, by way of parting, "that boat and all that's in her is yours, and honestly yours. We didn't steal a single thing in it. We rescued steal a single thing in it. We rescued them from the fire and from those who were stealing. You can make what terms you please with the owners, if you find any of them. There's a whole lot of provisions on there for you and your family. My advice to you is to cut that boat loose, and float down in her to your old home in Charleston. Go, and good luck to you."

(To be continued.)

Society of American War Veterans, Philippine and China Wars.

There was organized Tuesday night, June 22, at Philadelphia, Pa., a National organization composed of those who served within the jurisdiction of the Philippine Islands and China in the army or navy of the United States, and were honorably discharged, during the campaigns of 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901 and 1902, or who are still in service and participated in those campaigns. The object is Comradship, Charity and Loyalty.

The National organization will meet annually, at which will be reception, con-

ter acquainted, local contingents may be formed. The officers of the National body elected are:

wise of the door-post, was scrawled with charcoal:

"Washin & Mendin Dun Hear."

"Just as I expected," said Sandy. "A poor, hardworking woman has the best house in the settlement. It's not as good as the Irish who work on the grade have an North but it's a valuee compared to the settlement of the settlement. It's not as good as the Irish who work on the grade have an North but it's a valuee compared to the settlement of the companion of the war, an' air jest dyin' fer a good swig of it. Can't you give us some right away?"

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action. It was a grand success from the start, and should grow rapidly who are eligible are members. are eligible should write to the Adjutant, John Ridgway, 4108 Warren street, Philadelphia, Pa., who will mail them applica-tion blank and by-laws. At the close of their meeting a vote of thanks was ten-dered Wm. J. Wray, a civil war veteran of 23d Pa., for his plan of organization and the successful work he volunteered. He promises to look after the boys until they are out of the woods. Bowknot or rosette is being prepared for mark of recognition

Some sing of the illy and daisy and rose, And the pansies and pluks that the Summer time throws In the green, grassy lap of the meadow that Blinkin' up at the skies through the sunshing

days; But what is the filly and all of the rest Of the flowers to a man with a heart in his That has sipped brimmin' full of the honey and dew Of the sweet clover blossoms his boyhood

I never sit heavy on a clover field now, Or fool 'round a stable or climb in a mow, But my childhood comes back just as clear and as plain As the smell of the clover I'm sniffin' again;

And I wander away, in a barefooted dream, Where I tangle my toes in the blossoms that With the dew of the dawn of the morning of Ere it wept o'er the graves that I'm weeping

And so I love clover. It seems like a part Of the sacredest sorrows and joys of a Of the sacredest sorrows and joys of my heart; And wherever it blossoms, oh, there let me bow, And thank the good Lord as I'm thankin' Him now
And pray to Him still for the strength, when
I die,

To go out in the clover and tell it good-by, And lovingly nestle my face in its bloom, While my soul slips away on a breath of perfume. -James Wl omb Riley.

PROMISES

Once when I was very sick, And doctor thought I'd die, And mother couldn't smile at me But it just turned to cry, That was the time for pro The lots of good things I could have, If I'd get well.

But when the fever went away, And I began to mend, And begged to eat the goodies That Grandma Brown would send, They said beef-ten was better, And gave my grapes to Nell. And laughed and said: "You're mighty

cross

His Son-Oppenheimer vants t'irty days gredit undt he vants der revusal of der

goots until tomorrow.

Isaacs—If he vants t'irty days gredit I vill give him a revusal righdt avay. Tell